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RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

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Agency Name: Board of Psychology, Department of Health Professions

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18 VAC 125-20-10 et seq.	Regulations Governing the Practice of Psychology

Statutory Authority: 54.1-3605 of the Code of Virginia

Name of petitioner: Cathleen A. Rea, Ph.D., for the Virginia Academy of Clinical Psychologists

Nature of petitioner's request: To consider the issuance of a full-time license to practice clinical psychology to applicants immediately upon successful completion of their doctoral degree, clinical internship, and passing of the Examination for Professional Practice.

INITIAL AGENCY NOTICE

Agency's plan for disposition of the request: The Regulatory Committee of the Board will meet at 10:00 a.m. on September 10, 2002 in Conference Room 2 at 6606 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA to consider whether to recommend amendments to the licensure requirements.

Comments may be submitted until October 14, 2002

AGENCY DECISION

☐ Request Granted

☒ Request Denied

Statement of reasons for decision: The Regulatory Committee held two open meetings with interested parties to discuss the issues related to licensure prior to completion of a residency. After consideration of problems with the proposal related to mobility of licensure and concerns for public safety, the recommendation was that the Board should not issue a full license to applicants without completion of a residency. On December 10, 2002, the Board unanimously approved the Committee recommendation but also voted to explore the possibility of issuing a residency license for one year with the possibility of renewal.

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